

REMARKS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Official Action dated 1 June 2005. Responsive to the rejections made in the Official Action, Claims 1, 2, and 5 have been amended to clarify the combination of elements which form the invention of the subject patent application. Additionally, Claim 13 has been canceled by this Amendment.

In the Official Action, the Examiner rejected Claim under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable Meinel, U.S. Patent 5,769,369, in view of Chen, et al., U.S. Patent 5,812,368. Claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over Meinel in view of Chen, et al., and further in view of Yukawa, et al., U.S. Patent 6,822,851. However, the Examiner kindly indicated that Claims 2-9 and 11-14 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

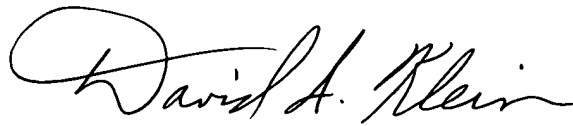
Accordingly, Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claim 13 therein. Thus, Claim 13 has effectively been placed in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim, Claim 1, and any intervening claims, which there were none. Further, Claims 2 and 5 have been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claim 1 respectively therein. Thus, each of Claims 2 and 5 have been placed in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim, Claim 1, and any intervening claims, which there were none. Thus, Claims 1, 2 and 5 should now be allowable, as should all of the

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Claims respectively dependent thereon.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is now believed that the subject Patent Application has been placed in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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